

STONEHAM

Board of Health - Health Department 35 CENTRAL STREET STONEHAM, MA 02180

John J. Scullin, Chairman Prof. Teresa M. Dean, RN, MS, Co-Chairwoman Dr. Christine Carino, Secretary

Minutes Board of Health April 19, 2016

Attendees:

Chairman Scullin calls the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Also in attendance are Secretary Prof. Dean, Co-Chairwoman Dr. Christine Carino, Health Agent John Fralick and Public Health Nurse, Peg Drummey.

Reorganization:

Dr. Carino states she will not be part of the Board after May of this year. She states she must resign from her seat on the Board and will be leaving her residence in Stoneham at that time. She will be leaving the Stoneham area.

Dr. Carino nominates John Scullin for Chairman Prof. Dean seconds the nomination for John Scullin for Chairman. The nomination passes with all in favor. Dr. Carino nominates Prof. Dean for Vice-Chairperson. Chairman Scullin seconds the nomination. With all in favor, the motion to nominate Prof. Dean passes. Prof. Dean nominates Dr. Christine Carino for Secretary. Chairman Scullin seconds the motion. Motions close for nominations for Secretary. The motion passes with all in favor.

Nurses Report:

Blood Pressure:

The monthly Blood Pressure clinic at the Senior Center was held on April 4, 2016. 7 residents were seen. There were 3 walk-in Blood Pressures. There were 5 home visits.

There is also one resident to be seen once a week per their Medical Doctors orders

Communicables:

24 Influenza, 1 Hepatitis B, 4 Hepatitis C, 1 Legioneliosis, 1 Varicella, 1 Cryptosporidium. 1 Mumps with another suspect. Patients were at dialysis on Montvale Avenue and do not live in Stoneham. The Department of public Health was notified.

Immunizations:

1 Flu Vaccine and 12 PPD's planted and read at the Board of Health.

2 B12 Home visits were made and 2 B12 office visits were done.

Other:

A home visit was made to assist a senior in ordering mail-a-way meds.

A MCPHS student completed preceptorship.

The nurse placed Blood Drive signage at Library, Post Office, Senior Center, and Stop& Shop and through- out Town Hall for upcoming drive.

The Stoneham Strong Blood Drive held on April 8th.

As requested by the Stoneham Public Library, a letter was written to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commission supporting their grant application for Health Literacy.

Ms. Drummey set seniors' medication box up and called for refills.

She also attended last class for "Youth Mental Health First Aid USA" (this is a program I would like offer to residents, school nurses and teachers. I am working with the SSAC and the RSAC to get this started.)

Arbors Assisted Living notified the Board of Health with 20 + staff ill from Norovirus. One resident was hospitalized.

Fuller House also reported to the Board of Health all staff and all residents were infected with the Norovirus. Three residents were hospitalized.

April 8th attended the Public Health Nurse's meeting in Tewksbury.

A Pace Maker check was completed at the Fuller House.

Plan:

Ms. Drummey's plan is to follow up with the Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition to promote "Youth Mental Health First Aid USA", program for teachers, school nurses and residents.

With the approval of the Board of Health, Ms. Drummey would like to request funds from Stockwell to offer Prevnar 13 to Stoneham residents.

Dr. Carino motions to accept the nurses' report. Prof. Dean seconds the motion and it passes with all in favor.

Chairman Scullin authorizes the nurse to contact the Stockwell Fund to request \$ 1588.30 to purchase 10 doses of Prevnar13

Health Agent's Report:

Food Inspections: 7

Housing Fitness Inspections: 3

Animal Quarantines: 1

Quarantine Log: 22 Kenneth Terrace

Complaint Log: 224 Park Street, 200 Leisure Lane #40

Complaint Details:

<u>224 Park Street:</u> A complaint was received from Mosley Park Condominium regarding an illegal dumpster. A gentleman came into the Board of Health office for a dumpster permit on 4/12/2016. At that time, a permit was issued for a dumpster to be placed at 224 Park Street. Unbeknownst to the Board of Health, per Mosley Park condominium regulation, resident dumpsters are not allowed on the premises. Also, the disposal contractor used for the dumpster service is not a registered hauler within the Town of Stoneham. As such, the Board of Health revoked the permit and gave the applicant 7 days to remove the receptacle.

200 Leisure Lane #40: A concerned tenant, Swati Purawat, called the Board of Health on several occasions in recent weeks regarding concern over mold in her apartment. She has been a tenant of Leisure Lane apartments since 2014. The inspection and investigation process was explained to her and she requested that an inspection be done on her apartment. After explaining that her landlord

would be contacted once a formal complaint was submitted, Ms. Purawat requested that the inspection not take place until further notice. An inspection of the unit in question is still pending.

Other:

Quarantine on Kenneth Terrace: A call was received from the epidemiological office at the Department of Public Health on 4/19/2016 regarding an elderly woman, Mary Macdonald, being admitted to the hospital due to the adverse effects of a cat scratch in her home at 22 Kenneth Terrace. After speaking with the victim's daughter, she was notified that her cat would be quarantined for a period of ten days inside her home, and instructions were given on proper updating of her cat's inoculations. It was noted that the cat in question was not up to date on rabies boosters.

302 Main Street: A call was received on 4/14 from Bob Radigan regarding a Sanitary Sewer overflow at the gas station located at 302 Main Street. Mr. Radigan stated that the oil separator had not been pumped or cleaned in years according to owner Ray Cozzi. Per the Department of Environmental Protection regulation, several corrective actions were completed including a chlorinated power wash, and a drain company was contacted to clean out the oil separator. Total release amounted to approximately 10-20 Gallons. No further action has been reported to date.

<u>Drive-Through Emergency for Preparedness Exercise</u>: On April 20th, a drive-through exercise will take place from 4-8pm at the Northeast Regional Vocational School in Wakefield. The exercise seeks to practice the distribution of supplies and information in the event of a serious regional emergency. A Code Red alert was sent to Stoneham residents as well as all faculty working for the Town of Stoneham inviting them to participate in the exercise. The event is being sponsored by the Melrose Board of Health.

Dr. Carino motions to accept the Health Agent's report. Prof. Dean seconds the motion. It passes unanimously with all in favor.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Dr. Carino motions to accept the minutes for March 15, 2016. Prof. Dean seconds the motion. It passes with all in favor.

Set next meeting date:

The next meeting has been set for May 17, 2016.

Adjourn:

Chairman Scullin asks for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Carino motions to adjourn the meeting. Prof. Dean seconds the motion. The motion passes with all in favor. The meeting is adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted Karyn Incatasciato Administrative Assistant